

<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b>					Attorney Docket No: YO-0001	
Application Serial Number: 09/608,038		Filing Date: 06/30/2000		Examiner: Rhode Jr., Robert E.		Group Art Unit: 3625
Invention: Network Based Franchise Business System and Method (as amended)						
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TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.						
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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	19	MINUS	20	0	\$50	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	MINUS	3	0	\$200	\$ 0.00
<p>— Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of _____ to and through ____, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> one month (\$120) <input type="checkbox"/> three months (\$1020)  <input type="checkbox"/> two months (\$450) <input type="checkbox"/> four months (\$1590)</p>						
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>						
<p><input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of <u>\$ 0.00</u> is attached.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please charge any necessary additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account <u>50-2087</u>.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required.</p>						
<p><b>Conditional Petition for Additional Extension of Time</b>  It is believed that the indicated items are timely filed. However, in the event an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a).  Please charge any fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. <u>50-2087</u>.</p>						
<u>January 28, 2005</u> date			 Bradley T. Sako, Reg. No. 37,923			
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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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10 A. Introductory Comments

The following is submitted in response to the Office Action dated November 1, 2004, and is currently due February 1, 2005.

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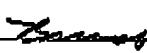
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